

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 10 and 12 remain in this application. Claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 have been amended by eliminating multiple dependent claims and deleting preferably clauses. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made".

The support for these amendments is found in the claims as originally filed. These amendments are being entered to bring the claims into conformance with, *inter alia*, 37 CFR §1.75; no new matter is added.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the claims:

1. A film made out of a thermoplastic material, characterized in that its composition further comprises a combination of at least one organic anti-UV compound with at least one inorganic anti-UV compound.
2. A plastic film according to claim 1, whose composition further comprises at least one chemical binder for improved solubility of the organic compound in said thermoplastic material.
3. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], wherein the thermoplastic material is low density polyethylene.
4. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], which is a mono-oriented film.
5. A plastic film according to claim 3 [claims 1 to 3], which is a bi-oriented film.
6. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], wherein the inorganic compound is a micronized metal oxide
7. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], wherein the inorganic compound is micronized zinc oxide (ZnO).
8. A plastic film according to claim 6 [claims 1 to 6], wherein the inorganic compound is micronized titanium dioxide (TiO₂).
9. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], wherein the organic UV absorber compound is a benzotriazole.
10. A plastic film according to claim 9, wherein the benzotriazole organic UV absorber compound is comprised within the list of: 2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methylphenyl)-benzotriazole, 2-(2'-hydroxy-3'-5'-di-tert.-butylphenyl)-benzotriazole, 2-(2'-hydroxy-3'-5'-di-tert-butylphenyl)-5-chlorobenzotriazole.
11. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], wherein the binder is a benzophenone.
12. A plastic film according to claim 11, wherein the benzophenone binder is a 2,4-dihydroxybenzophenone.
13. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], which is a barrier for light with a wavelength comprised within the range of 280 to 390 nm.

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14. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], which has a thickness of less than 80 μm [, preferably less than 35 μm].
15. A plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], whose haze is less than 30%[, preferably less than 20%] for a 35 μm film[, and/or less than 50%, preferably less than 40%, for a 70 μm film].
16. The use of a plastic film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], for packing consumer products by flow-wrapping.
17. The process of making a film according to claim 1 [any of the preceding claims], which is an extrusion blow molding process.

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